HOUSE No. 482

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Rodrigues

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act requiring school districts to adopt a certain health program.

PETITION OF:

NAME:	DISTRICT/ADDRESS:	
Michael J. Rodrigues	8th Bristol	
Thomas A. Golden, Jr.	16th Middlesex	
Timothy J. Toomey, Jr.	26th Middlesex	
Viriato Manuel deMacedo	1st Plymouth	
Jeffrey Davis Perry	5th Barnstable	
Cleon H. Turner	1st Barnstable	
Paul J. Donato	35th Middlesex	
Sarah K. Peake	4th Barnstable	
Stanley C. Rosenberg	Hampshire and Franklin	
Carlo P. Basile	1st Suffolk	
Geraldine Creedon	11th Plymouth	
Matthew C. Patrick	3rd Barnstable	
Alice K. Wolf	25th Middlesex	
Katherine Clark	32nd Middlesex	
Susan Williams Gifford	2nd Plymouth	
Jeffrey Sánchez	15th Suffolk	
James B. Eldridge	Middlesex and Worcester	
Demetrius J. Atsalis	Second Barnstable	
Danielle W. Gregoire	4th Middlesex	

Ellen Story	3rd Hampshire	
James Cantwell	4th Plymouth	
Benjamin Swan	11th Hampden	
Robert L. Rice, Jr.	2nd Worcester	
Kay Khan	11th Middlesex	
Frank I. Smizik	15th Norfolk	
Georgianna Saba	25 Mabelle Avenue	
	Medford, MA	
Richard J. Ross	9th Norfolk	
Alice Hanlon Peisch	14th Norfolk	
Barbara A. L'Italien	18th Essex	
Sean Garballey	23rd Middlesex	
Stephen M. Brewer	Worcester, Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin	
Linda Dean Campbell	15th Essex	
Lida E. Harkins	13th Norfolk	

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION SEE HOUSE, NO. 539 OF 2007-2008.]

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AN ACT REQUIRING SCHOOL DISTRICTS TO ADOPT A CERTAIN HEALTH PROGRAM.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1 Chapter 71 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting after Section 54B the following
- 2 section:— Section 54C. Each school district shall develop a program to identify and serve pupils with
- 3 light-based reading difficulties, best defined, as of December 1, 2002 by screening practices and
- 4 methodologies used to address Irlen syndrome and/or scotopic sensitivity, so called.